

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees order reported 38 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7367–S7435

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3829–3838, and S. Res. 639–643. **Pages S7420–21**

Measures Reported:

S. 2971, to authorize certain authorities by the Department of State, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–301)

S. 3581, to implement certain defense trade treaties, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–302)

S. 3751, to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 3767, to establish appropriate criminal penalties for certain knowing violations relating to food that is misbranded or adulterated, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7420**

Measures Passed:

Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act: Senate passed H.R. 4853, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S7388**

Dorgan (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4656, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S7389**

World Veterinary Year: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 583, expressing support for designation of 2011 as “World Veterinary Year” to bring attention to and show appreciation for the veterinary profession on its 250th anniversary, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S7426**

Dorgan (for Ensign) Amendment No. 4657, to amend the resolving clause. **Page S7426**

United States Engagement with ASEAN: Senate agreed to S. Res. 640, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding United States engagement with ASEAN and its member-states. **Pages S7426–27**

5th Anniversary of Hurricane Rita: Senate agreed to S. Res. 641, observing the 5th anniversary of the date on which Hurricane Rita devastated the coasts of Louisiana and Texas. **Pages S7426–27**

25th Anniversary of the National Institute of Nursing Research: Senate agreed to S. Res. 642, congratulating the National Institute of Nursing Research on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. **Pages S7426–27**

National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 643, designating the week beginning October 3, 2010, as “National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week”. **Pages S7426–27**

Measures Considered:

National Mediation Board: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 30, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Mediation Board relating to representation election procedures. **Pages S7370–83**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 239), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S7383**

DISCLOSE Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3628, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit foreign influence in Federal elections, to prohibit government contractors from making expenditures with respect to such elections, and

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Pursuant to the order of September 22, 2010, the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on July, 27, 2010, was agreed to.

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By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 240), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having not voted in the affirmative, Senate upon reconsideration rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Appointments:

Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Public Law 107–12, appointed the following individuals as members of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board:

Charles Massarone of Kentucky and Andy Nimmo of Missouri.

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Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the Public Law 110–298, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Federal Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board:

Richard Gardner of Nevada.

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State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the Public Law 110–298, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the State and Local Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Board:

Nick DiMarco of Ohio.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

William R. Brownfield, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs).

Matthew Maxell Taylor Kennedy, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2012.

Kurt Walter Tong, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Senior Official for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Forum.

Eugene Louis Dodaro, of Virginia, to be Comptroller General of the United States for a term of fifteen years.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

6 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Foreign Service, and Navy.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—240) Pages S7383, S7388

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 24, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7428.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EPA REGULATION ON AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the impact of EPA regulation on agriculture, after receiving testimony from Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency; Rich Hillman, Arkansas Farm Bureau, Carlisle; Jay Vroom, CropLife America, Washington, D.C.; and Jere White, Kansas Corn Growers Association, Barnett, on behalf of the Kansas Grain Sorghum Producers.

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on current conditions and future challenges, after receiving testimony from David H. Stevens, Assistant Secretary for Housing, and Commissioner, Federal Housing Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Matthew J. Scire, Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

NATIONWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY NETWORK

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the need for a nationwide public safety network, including S. 3756, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide public safety providers an additional 10 megahertz of spectrum to support a national, interoperable wireless broadband network and authorize the Federal Communications Commission to hold incentive auctions to provide funding to support such a network, after receiving testimony from James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Mayor Annise D. Parker, Houston, Texas; Robert L. Davis, San Jose Police Department Chief, San Jose, California, on behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCC); Steve McClure, West Virginia Emergency Medical Services, Ripley; Jeffrey D. Johnson, International Association of Fire Chiefs, Salem, Oregon; and Kenneth J. Zdunek, Roberson and Associates, LLC, Chicago, Illinois.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy's Loan Guarantee Program and its effectiveness in spurring the near-term deployment of clean energy technology, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Silver, Executive Director, Loan Programs Office, Department of Energy; Timothy Newell, U.S. Renewables Group, Santa Monica, California; Jens Meyerhoff, First Solar, Tempe, Arizona; Michael D. Scott, Miller Buckfire & Co., LLC, New York, New York; and Marvin S. Fertel, Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), Washington, D.C.

TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine tax reform, focusing on lessons from the Tax Reform Act of 1986, after receiving testimony from former Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives Dick Gephardt; former Representative William R. Archer, Jr.; John E. Chapoton, Brown Advisory, Washington, D.C.; and Randall D. Weiss, Conference Board, New York, New York.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Is-

lamic Republic of Pakistan, Department of State, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

WATER AND SECURITY CHALLENGES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded a hearing to examine challenges to water and security in Southeast Asia, after receiving testimony from Joseph Yun, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; Richard P. Cronin, Stimson Center, and Dekila Chungyalpa, World Wildlife Fund, both of Washington; and Aviva Imhof, International Rivers, Berkeley, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3751, to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Mary Minow, of California, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, Julie Reiskens, of Colorado, Joseph Pietrzyk, of Ohio, and Harry Korrell III, of Washington, all to be a Member of the Legal Services Corporation Board, and Pamela Young-Holmes, of Wisconsin, to be a member of the National Council on Disabilities.

Also, Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Children and Families: Senators Dodd (Chair), Bingaman, Murray, Reed, Sanders, Casey, Hagan, Merkley, Bennet, Alexander, Gregg, McCain, Hatch, Murkowski, Coburn, and Roberts.

Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety: Senators Murray (Chair), Dodd, Mikulski, Hagan, Merkley, Franken, Bennet, Goodwin, Isakson, Gregg, Burr, McCain, Hatch, and Murkowski.

Subcommittee on Retirement and Aging: Senators Mikulski (Chair), Bingaman, Reed, Sanders, Casey, Franken, Goodwin, Burr, Gregg, Alexander, Isakson, and Coburn.

Senators Harkin and Enzi are ex-officio members of the subcommittees.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3767, to establish appropriate criminal penalties for certain knowing violations relating to food that is misbranded or adulterated, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Kathleen M. O'Malley, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Beryl Alaine Howell, and Robert Leon Wilkins, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and William C. Killian, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee, Robert E. O'Neill, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida, Albert Najera, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of California, William Claud Sibert, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Missouri, Myron Martin Sutton, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Indiana, David Mark Singer, to be United States Marshal for the Central District of California, Steven Clayton Stafford, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of California, and Jeffrey Thomas Holt, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Tennessee, all of the Department of Justice.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS DISABILITY COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Veterans' Affairs disability compensation, focusing on presumptive disability decision-making, after receiving testimony from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary, and Anthony J. Principi, former Secretary, St. Michaels, Maryland, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Linda Birnbaum, Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, and Director, National Toxicology Program, and Diane Bild, Associate Director for Prevention and Population Sciences, Division of Cardiovascular Sciences, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, both of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and Jonathan M. Samet, University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine, Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 6190–6217; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 97; and H. Res. 1651–1659, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H6989–91

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 5815, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to provide authority for Inspectors General to subpoena the attendance and testimony of witnesses, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–623).

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Question of Privilege: The Chair ruled that the resolution offered by Representative Price (GA) did not constitute a question of the privileges of the House. Subsequently, Representative Price (GA) appealed the ruling of the chair and Representative Hastings (FL) moved to table the appeal. Agreed to the motion to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair

by a yea-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 534.

Pages H6899–H6902

Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, September 22nd:

Casa Grande Ruins National Monument Boundary Modification Act of 2010: H.R. 5110, amended, to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 244 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 537 and

Pages H6903–04

Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area Act of 2010: H.R. 4823, amended, to establish the Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area in the Coconino National Forest, Arizona, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 258 yeas to 160 nays, Roll No. 538.

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Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 1653, returning several measures to the Senate.

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Small Business Jobs and Credit Act of 2010: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R.

5297, to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, by a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 539. **Pages H6905–39**

H. Res. 1640, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendment, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 536, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 535. **Pages H6886–91, H6902–04**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Improving Access to Clinical Trials Act of 2010: S. 1674, to provide for an exclusion under the Supplemental Security Income program and the Medicaid program for compensation provided to individuals who participate in clinical trials for rare diseases or conditions; **Pages H6891–96**

Renewing the authority of the Secretary of Health and Human Services to approve demonstration projects designed to test innovative strategies in State child welfare programs: H.R. 6156, to renew the authority of the Secretary of Health and Human Services to approve demonstration projects designed to test innovative strategies in State child welfare programs; **Pages H6896–98**

Amending the Tariff Act of 1930 to include ultralight aircraft under the definition of aircraft for purposes of the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act: H.R. 5307, amended, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to include ultralight aircraft under the definition of aircraft for purposes of the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 412 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 540; **Pages H6898–99, H6939–40**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to include ultralight vehicles under the definition of aircraft for purposes of the aviation smuggling provisions under that Act.”. **Page H6940**

Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund: H.R. 6190, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program; **Pages H6943–45**

Supporting the increased understanding of, and interest in, computer science and computing ca-

reers among the public and in schools: H. Res. 1560, to support the increased understanding of, and interest in, computer science and computing careers among the public and in schools, and to ensure an ample and diverse future technology workforce through the designation of National Computer Science Education Week; **Pages H6945–47**

Honoring and saluting Americans for the Arts on its 50th anniversary: H. Res. 1582, to honor and salute Americans for the Arts on its 50th anniversary; **Pages H6948–50**

Expressing support for designation of the week beginning on the third Monday in September as “National Postdoc Appreciation Week”: H. Res. 1545, to express support for designation of the week beginning on the third Monday in September as “National Postdoc Appreciation Week”; **Pages H6950–51**

National Flood Insurance Program Reextension Act of 2010: S. 3814, to extend the National Flood Insurance Program until September 30, 2011; **Pages H6951–52**

Amending the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940: S. 3717, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide for certain disclosures under section 552 of title 5, United States Code (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act); **Pages H6952–55**

Granting the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II: S. 1055, to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II; **Pages H6955–60**

Awarding a congressional gold medal to Dr. Muhammad Yunus, in recognition of his contributions to the fight against global poverty: S. 846, to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Muhammad Yunus, in recognition of his contributions to the fight against global poverty; **Pages H6960–63**

Allowing certain U.S. Customs and Border Protection employees who serve under an overseas limited appointment for at least 2 years to be converted to a permanent appointment in the competitive service: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1517, to allow certain U.S. Customs and Border Protection employees who serve under an overseas limited appointment for at least 2 years, and

whose service is rated fully successful or higher throughout that time, to be converted to a permanent appointment in the competitive service; and

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Urging the people of the United States to observe National Preparedness Month: H. Res. 1618, to urge the Federal Government, States, localities, schools, nonprofit organizations, businesses, other entities, and the people of the United States to observe National Preparedness Month.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Wednesday, September 22nd:

Training and Research for Autism Improvements Nationwide Act: H.R. 5756, amended, to amend title I of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 to provide for grants and technical assistance to improve services rendered to children and adults with autism, and their families, and to expand the number of University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 393 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 541;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend subtitle D of title I of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 to provide grants and technical assistance to University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service to improve services rendered to children and adults on the autism spectrum, and their families, and for other purposes.”.

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Emergency Medic Transition Act of 2010: H.R. 3199, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to State emergency medical service departments to provide for the expedited training and licensing of veterans with prior medical training, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 412 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 542;

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Family Health Care Accessibility Act of 2010: H.R. 1745, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide liability protections for volunteer practitioners at health centers under section 330 of such Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 543; and

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National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Reauthorization Act of 2010: H.R. 5710, amended, to amend and reauthorize the controlled substance monitoring program under section 399O of the Public Health Service Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 384 yeas to 32 nays, Roll No. 544.

Pages H6942–43

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H6891 and H6945.

Senate Referrals: S. 3828 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; S. 2906 and S. 1448 were referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Eleven ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6901, H6902, H6902–03, H6903–04, H6904, H6938–39, H6939–40, H6940, H6941, H6941–42, and H6942. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S. CYBER COMMAND

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on U.S. Cyber Command: Organizing for Cyberspace Operations. Testimony was heard from GEN Keith B. Alexander, USA, Commander Cyber Command, Department of Defense.

ORGANIZING MILITARY CYBER OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats, and Capabilities, hearing on Operating in the Digital Domain: Organizing the Military Departments for Cyber Operations. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: VADM. Bernard J. McCullough III, USN, Commander, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command, U.S. 10th Fleet; LTG George J. Flynn, USMC, Deputy Commandant, Combat Development and Integration, U.S. Marine Corps; MG Rhett Hernandez, USA, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; and MG Richard Webber, USAF, Commander, 24th Air Force and Air Force Network Operations, U.S. Air Force.

STUDENT ATHLETES' CONCUSSIONS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Protecting Student Athletes from Concussions Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 758, as amended, Pediatric Research Consortia Establishment Act; H.R. 1032, as amended, Heart Disease Education, Analysis Research, and Treatment for Women Act; H.R. 1210, as amended, Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act; H.R. 1230, as amended, Acquired Bone Marrow Failure Disease Research and Treatment Act; H.R. 1347, as amended, Concussion

Treatment and Care Tools Act of 2010; H.R. 1362, as amended, National Neurological Disease Surveillance System Act of 2010; H.R. 1995, as amended, Diabetes in Minority Populations Evaluation Act of 2010; H.R. 2408, as amended, Scleroderma Research and Awareness Act of 2010; H.R. 2818, as amended, Methamphetamine Education, Treatment, and Hope Act of 2010; H.R. 2941, as amended, To reauthorize and enhance Johanna's Law to increase public awareness and knowledge with respect to gynecologic cancers; H.R. 2999, as amended, Veterinary Public Health amendments Act of 2010; H.R. 5354, as amended, Gestational Diabetes Act of 2010; H.R. 5462, as amended, Birth Defects Prevention, Risk Reduction, and Awareness Act of 2010; H.R. 5986, Neglected Infections of Impoverished Americans Act of 2010; H.R. 6012, as amended, To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to review uptake and utilization of diabetes screening benefits and establish an outreach program with respect to such benefits; H.R. 6081, as amended, Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Reauthorization Act of 2010; and H. Res. 1561, without recommendation, Directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to transmit certain documents relating to documents prepared by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

COIN AND PRECIOUS METAL DISCLOSURE ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 6149, Coin and Precious Metal Disclosure Act. Testimony was heard from Lois Greisman, Associate Director, Marketing Practices Division, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; and public witnesses.

PIPELINE SAFETY OVERSIGHT/LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled "Pipeline Safety Oversight and Legislation." Testimony was heard from Representative Schauer; Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; Christopher Hart, Vice Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

LIVABLE COMMUNITIES ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Perspectives on the Livable Communities Act of 2010." Testimony was heard from Representatives Blumenauer and Sires; Bob Murphy, Mayor, Lakewood, Colorado; and public witnesses.

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION ACT LIMITATIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "Assessing the Limitations of the Securities Investor Protection Act." Testimony was heard from Joseph Borg, Securities Commission, State of Alabama; and public witnesses.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL ACT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing on H.R. 3149, Equal Employment for All Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cohen; and public witnesses.

SECURING AMERICA'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Homeland Security: Held a hearing entitled "Securing America's Transportation Systems: The Target of Terrorists and TSA's New Director." Testimony was heard from John S. Pistole, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

FAIR ELECTIONS NOW ACT

Committee on House Administration: Ordered reported H.R. 6116, Fair Elections Now Act.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY ACT REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on ECPA and the Revolution in Cloud Computing. Testimony was heard from Thomas B. Hurbank, Senior Investigator, Computer Crime Unit, State Police, State of New York; and public witnesses.

STATE/TRIBAL NONCOAL RECLAMATION PROJECT AUTHORITY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 4817, To amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects. Testimony was heard from Representative Teague; Glenda Owens, Deputy Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior; Loretta Pineda, Director, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Department of Natural Resources, State of Colorado; and John Antonio, Governor, Pueblo of Laguna.

NATIONAL PARK PARTNERSHIPS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held an oversight hearing entitled “The Role of Partnerships in National Parks.” Testimony was heard from Daniel N. Wenk, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

STATE DEPARTMENT TRANSITION IN IRAQ

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Ordered reported followed by consideration of the following measures: H.R. 3243, To amend section 5542 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that any hours worked by Federal firefighters under a qualified trade-of-time arrangement shall be excluded for purposes of determinations relating to overtime pay; H.R. 5367, as amended, D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act of 2010; H.R. 5702, To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to reduce the waiting period for holding special elections to fill vacancies in the membership of the Council of the District of Columbia; H.R. 5368, as amended, United States Postal Service Inspectors Equity Act; H. Res. 1494, as amended, Congratulating the champion finalists, and all other participants in the 83rd Annual Scripps National Spelling Bee; H. Res. 1529, Commending Bob Sheppard for his long and respected career as the public-address announcer for the New York Yankees and the New York Giants; H. Res. 1603, Expressing support for designation of September 2010 as National Craniofacial Acceptances Month; H. Res. 1617, Supporting the goals and purpose of Gold Star Mothers Day, which is observed on the last Sunday in September of each year in remembrance of the supreme sacrifice made by mothers who lose a son or daughter serving in the Armed Forces; H.R. 4602, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Services located at 1332 Sharon Copley Road in Sharon Center, Ohio, as the “Emil Bolas Post Office;” H.R. 6118, as amended, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., in Washington, D.C., as the “Dorothy I. Height Post Office Building;” S. 3567, A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Broadway in Lynbrook, New York, as the “Navy Corpsman Jeffrey L. Wiener Post Office Building;” H.R. 6014, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 212 Main Street in Harman, Arkansas, as the “M. R. ‘Bucky’ Walters Post Office;” H. Res. 1442, Supporting the goals and Ideals of United States Military Month; and H.R. 5877, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 655 Centre Street in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, as the “Lance

Corporal Alexander Scott Arredondo, United States Marine Corps Post Office Building.”

The Committee also held a hearing entitled “Transition in Iraq: Is the State Department Prepared to Take the Lead?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Commission on War-time Contracting in Iraq and Afghanistan: Michael J. Thibault, Co-Chairman; and Grant S. Green, Commissioner; and Stuart W. Bowen, Jr., Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction.

NTSB'S RED LINE METRO CRASH REPORT

Committee on Oversight and Investigations: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, held a hearing entitled “Moving Forward After the NTSB Report: Making Metro a Safety Leader.” Testimony was heard from Deborah A. P. Hersman, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; the following officials of the Washington Area Transit Authority; Catherine Hudgins, Board of Directors, First Vice Chairman; and Richard Sarles, Interim General Manager; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 5866, Nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 2010; and H.R. 6160, Rare Earths and Critical Materials Revitalization Act of 2010.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION POLICY

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on The Science of Science and Innovation Policy. Testimony was heard from Julia Lane, Program Director, Science of Science and Innovation Policy, NSF; and public witnesses.

PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO INTEROPERABILITY

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Progress on P25: Furthering Interoperability and Competition for Public Safety Radio Equipment. Testimony was heard from Russ Sveda, Manager, Radio Technical Service Center, Department of the Interior; Tom Sorley, Deputy Director, Radio Communications Services, Information Technology Department, Houston, Texas; and public witnesses.

CONTRACTING PROCUREMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Veterans Health Administration Contracting and Procurement Practices. Testimony was heard from Debra A. Draper, Director,

Health Care, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Belinda J. Finn, Assistant Inspector General, Audits and Evaluations; and Frederick Downs, Jr., Chief Procurement and Logistics Officer, Veterans Health Administration; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—REORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Reorganization of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. The Committee was briefed by LTG James R. Clapper, Jr., USA (ret.), Director of National Intelligence.

BRIEFING—OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management met in executive session to receive a briefing on Outside Employment of Intelligence Community Professionals. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—EXTREME WEATHER IN A WARMING WORLD

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Met to receive a briefing entitled “Extreme Weather in a Warming World.” The Committee was briefed by Thomas Peterson, Chief Scientist, Na-

tional Climatic Data Center, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Husain Haqqani, Pakistan’s Ambassador to the United States; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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No meetings/hearings scheduled.

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Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Nuclear Cooperation and Non-proliferation after Khan and Iran: Are We Asking Enough of Current and Future Agreements? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security and International Law, hearing on Protecting America’s Harvest, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the Chairman’s Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 2378, Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act, 9:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

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